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(54) **Configuration technique for a gaming machine**

(57) A plurality of EGMs (10A-10C) are connected within a network (50). Each of the EGMs is remotely configurable so as to enable an operator to select any desired parameter of the game. The configuration of one

EGM may be uploaded to the network and programmed into other EGMs connected to the network. An operator may program the initial EGM at the EGM itself or remotely. In another embodiment, one EGM (a master) may download its configuration settings into other EGMs.

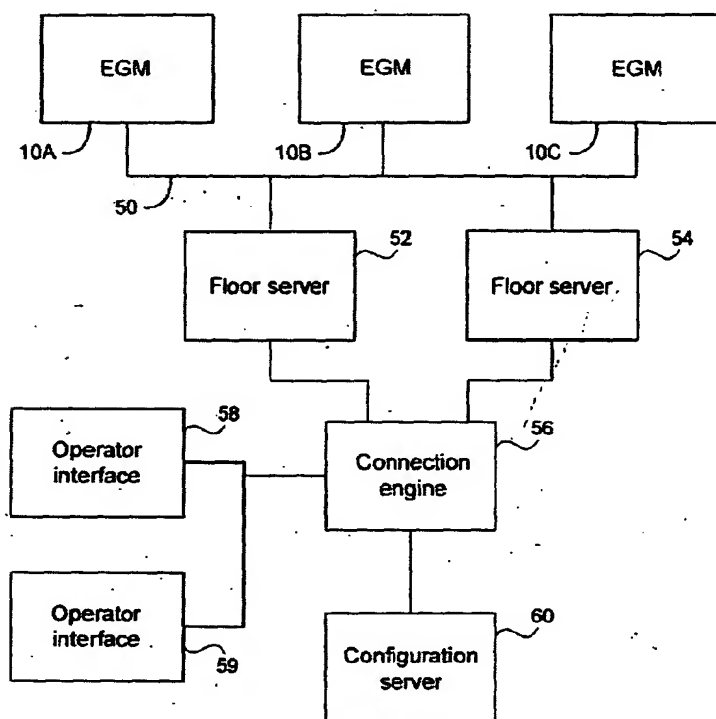


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